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1. The following air activity and aircraft were observed at Rangsdorf airfield between 26 May and 12 June 1954:
- 26 May. At noon, 2 twin-engine low-wing monoplanes [redacted] 3 single-engine low-wing monoplanes and 1 high-wing monoplane were parked in front of the western hangar. The engines of the aircraft were dismantled. In front of the middle hangar was a twin-engine aircraft from which the right engine was dismantled. The hangars were open and fully occupied by aircraft. The two engine test stands were in operation.
- 29 May. About 1630, approximately the same observations were made as on 26 May.
- 8 June. At noon, 1 twin-engine low-wing monoplane [redacted] and 3 Po-2s [redacted] were parked in front of the western hangar. The hangars were closed and the engine test stands were not in operation.
- 9 June. Between 1100 and 1400, several jet fighter formations crossed over Rangsdorf at an altitude of between 3,000 and 4,000 meters. The distance between the individual flights was 2 to 3 wing spans. The flights flew at distances of 3 to 4 minutes. All of the aircraft approached from the west, made a large left bank and headed west while disappearing from view.
- 10 and 12 June. Repair work was being done on 2 twin-engine low-wing monoplanes [redacted]. Some aircraft were apparently parked in the middle hangar which was open.

2. On 2 July, 3 Po-2s, [redacted] were parked in front of the western hangar. A twin-engine low-wing monoplane was parked in front of the Po-2s. Another twin-engine low-wing monoplane and a Po-2 [redacted] were parked between the western hangar and the repair hangar. During the afternoon of 6 July, 4 Po-2s, 2 twin-engine low-wing monoplanes and 1 single-engine low-wing monoplane were parked in front of the western hangar. [redacted] The western hangar was partially open and apparently was fully occupied by aircraft. At noon on 16 July, only the twin-engine low-wing monoplane [redacted] was observed at the field.

Comment. The occupation of Rangsdorf airfield has not changed. It is believed that a repair shop for airframes and engines of conventional aircraft and a dismantling shop are located at the field. The field is also occupied by a transport and courier squadron of the GSEF equipped with Ju-52s, Po-2s [redacted]

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 have previously been observed with the training units in Granienburg of the Finow fighter division.



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